of Production Supply and Distribution) Bill 1992" is before the Lok Sabha for consideration.

Rationalisation of House/Property Taxes

@@@3521-C. SHRI B. K. HARI-PRASAD: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased t© state:

(a) whether Government propose to rationalise the house and property taxes and ensure that this does not cripple the fixed wage earners and the middle class; and

(b) whether Government also propose to take into account various judgements of Supreme Court etc. on the subject in order to protect the legitimate property owners?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI *M.* ARUNACHALAM) : (a) and (b) The levy of taxes on land and buildings falls within the State List of the Constitution. Hence, State Govts, are competent to take . a decision on the issue of rationalisation of House/Property Taxes. As far as the Union Govt. i_s concerned, there is no such proposal under its consideration.

Progress of toll bridge connecting Noida with Maharani Bagh in Delhi

@@@@3521-D. SHRIMATI CHAN-DRIKA ABHINANDAN JAIN; Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT b_e pleased to state;

(a) whether a high-powered Stear-ing Committee has been appointed to ' review the progress made for the proposed Yamuna Toll Bridge (YTB) connecting Noida in Uttar Pradesh with Maharani Bagh in Delhi;

@@@ Previously Unstarred Question 2968, Transferred from 5th August, 1992.

@ @ @ @ Previously Unstarred Question 3069 Transferred from 5th August, 1992.

(b) the terms of reference of the Committee and by when the Committee is likely to submit its report; and

(c) whether any date has been fixed for starting of construction work of the bridge?

THE MINISTER OF STATE. IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM); (a) It is reported that a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) has been signed with NOIDA and Delhi Administration by M/s. Infrastructure Leasing & Financial Services Ltd. (IL&FS) for the construction of a toll-way bridge over Yamuna for the easier movement of NOIDA population to South Delhi. The IL&FS set up a steering Committee to monitor the implementation of the project.

(b) and (c) It is reported that the Steering Committee will monitor the progress of the project and is not expect to submit any report. It is reported that no firm date has been decided for starting construction of the project as the work is at a preliminary stage.

Requirement of Chemical Fertilisers to Madhya Pradesh

£3521-E. SHRI SURESH PACHOURI:
SHRI VENOD SHARMA :

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the quantity of chemical ferti lisers required in Madhya Pradesh every year for each of the cropping season;

(b) the quantity of fertilisers allocated by Government for the current kharif and ensuing rabi season to Madhya Pradesh;

(c) whether Government propose to increase the fertilisers supply to the State; and

£ Previously Unstarred Question 3115 Transferred from 6th August, 1992.

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMA-CHANDRAN): (a) A statement indicating the season-wise consumption of fertiliser nutrients in Madhya Pradesh *for* the years 1989-90 ,1990-91 .and 1991-98 is attached. (See below)

(b) 5.30 lakh tonnes of fertiliser nutrients have been allocated to Madhya Pradesh for the current kha'rif. The requirement of fertilisers for ensuing Rabi, 92-93 season will be as sessed in consultation with the State Government before the commencement of the season.

(c) and (d) The supply of fertilisers to Madhya Pradesh will be made to the extent of assessed requirement.

Statement

Consumption of fertilizers in Madhya Pradesh

('000 tonnes)

	Kharif 89	Rabi 89—90	Total 1989-90	Kharif 90	Rabi 90—91	Total 1990-91	Kharif 91 (Estt.)	Rabi 91—92 (Estt.)	Total 1991-92 (Estt.)
N :	198·29	174·30	372·59	237·68	239·87	477·55	268·38	234·78	503·16
P :	148·33	115·40	263·73	143·59	148·73	292·32	162·06	150·04	312·10
K :	26·97	11·40	38·37	27·56	14·92	42·48	30·79	15·18	45·97
TOTAL :	373·59	301·10	674·69	408·83	403·5	812·35	461.23	400·00	861·23

Esstt : Estimated

Agreement with FAO for vegetable oils

ff3521-F. SHRI VISHWASRAO RAMRAO. PATIL: WiU the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether any agreement between the Government of India and the Food and Agricultural Organisation on long term policy fo' vegetable oils was signed in New Delhi on February 7s 1992; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER, OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI MULLAPPALLY RiA»MA_ CHANDRAN): (a) Yes, Sir. It was signed on February 6, 1992.

(b) The agreement was *tor* a technical cooperation programme for examining long-term policy strategies for vegetable oils in India (Phase II). The first phase related to studies on various aspects for development of the oilseed sector and the Jong-term implications for production, processing marketing and consumption. The present project which-is an extension of Phase-I, covers the study of (a) strategies and policy isuues for development of oilseeds (b) specific areas for immediate action and (c) technical assistance priorities. The project is financed by FAO*s Technical Cooperation Programme with an allocation of US DbUar 30,000.

ffPreviously Unstarred Question 3095, Transferred from 6th August, 1992.